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## Senior Wins Honor

Senior Daniel Lynch II, of 12-6 has passed the first hurdle in the 17th Annual Science Talent Search for Westinghouse Scholarships and Awards.

From 4,050 entrants, only 1,074 candidates scored high enough on the examination to be named candidates. New York State had the largest number of successful candidates with a total of 247 winners. Dan was the only winner in the Rochester area.

Passing the test is only one of the hurdles that must be successfully overcome in the Westinghouse search leading to the nation's top science scholarships and awards totaling \$34,250. The final 40 winners and 260 honorable mentions will be recommended to the leading colleges and universities of the nation and most of these students will receive thousands of dollars in scholarships.

## Poetry Competition

Franklin High distinguished itself this year in the annual National Anthology for high school poetry. This competition acknowledges the writing of good poetry by high school students. James Barker's poem, "Revelation," submitted through a third year English class, was judged worthy of publication in this anthology.

## BIRTHDAY EXERCISES

At 3:00 on Sunday afternoon, February 16th, the 69th annual Washington's Birthday Exercises were held in the Franklin auditorium. All standard bearers and flag guardians from all over the city were present and the impressive ceremony of the transfer of flags took place.

Under the direction of Mr. Sherwood, Franklin students offered a presentation entitled, "Washington at the Delaware." The presentation was taken from a three-act play by Percy MacKaye, "The Man Who Made Us." It consisted of a prologue, a ballad, and a dramatic action.

The following students took part in the presentation:

Town Crier—Larry Krestzberg; Three Ballad Singers — Charles Clements, Betty Doig, Jeanne Skillman; Thomas Paine—John Shaver; James Monroe—Richard Markus; George Washington—Jack Muckstadt; Alexander Hamilton—Frank Arena.

Franklin's Senior Band played four selections throughout the program. They were, "God Bless America," by Irving Berlin; "You're in the Army Now," by Lucien Cailliet; "The Mississippi Suite Overture," by Grofe-Bennett; and "The Kilties March," by S. E. Morris.

## "Franklin Frolic" to be Held



Seated from left to right: Miss Moore, Leonard Ackerman, Miss Carnahan, Mr. Graf, and Mrs. D'Ambrosia.

Standing from left to right: Mr. DuBois, Kathy Speedy, Mrs. Alexander, Mr. Cohen, Miss Stavrevsky, and Mr. Brigandi.

On Tuesday evening, March 11, your student association will present the Franklin Frolic from 7:30 to 11:30 in the gym.

The Frolic has as its theme the "Roaring Twenties." About fifteen gaily decorated booths will provide a variety of entertainment for fun-lovers, and Franklin's own Quak-Aires will be there to play for those who like to dance. The Frolic will present a special prize to the winner of the Charleston contest and for those of you who want to become Charleston experts, Mrs. D'Ambrosia and Miss Streb will be giving lessons in the gym on Tuesdays after school.

The admission price to the Franklin Frolic is \$ .50 which includes the cost of the dance. It is asked that clothing suitable for an informal dance be worn; blue jeans will not be acceptable. Tickets may be purchased through your homeroom.

The following people are responsible for the Frolic.

Miss Carnahan and Mr. Graf—co-chairmen; Kathleen Speedy, Leonard Ackerman and Diane Marciano—student chairmen; Mr. DuBois—tickets; Mr. Beach—refreshments; Mr. Conen—prizes; Miss Streb—decorations; Mrs. D'Ambrosia—the Charleston contest; Mr. Brigandi—booths; Mrs. Alexander—publicity.

## Miss Donoghue Retires

At the end of this year's first semester Miss Catherine Donoghue one of the English department's finest teachers, retired.

Miss Donoghue's teachings have reached many pupils at different grade levels. For one or two years she taught in elementary school. She continued her career at Washington Junior High until, when the Junior High was closed, she was transferred to Franklin.

At Franklin, Miss Donoghue has served as inspiration for many new teachers as well as for all her pupils. As one of her students has said, "Miss Donoghue was always strict with us, but by golly, we learned!" Another student will remember her "for her continuing interest and for that much needed word of encouragement." Surely, there is one class that will continue to be grateful to her. This class was made up entirely of students from foreign countries who had never before studied English. It was Miss Donoghue who helped them learn to communicate with other Americans.

Anyone who is concerned about what Miss Donoghue will do now that she is retired, may stop worrying. Her hobbies include collecting antiques and old glass, but her special hobby is traveling. She spent last summer in Europe. She is planning to spend Easter in Bermuda and possibly more European traveling in the near future. Also, she spends one week each year in New York City following all new developments in the world of the theatre.

Before Miss Donoghue left, the English department honored her with a luncheon at the Town and Country Restaurant and the faculty gave her a dessert luncheon and a United States Savings Bond. These gifts are only symbolic of the appreciation her friends feel and they carry along the wish for a wonderful future.

## CLUB CORNER

### Inter-Y Council

Franklin Hi-Y and Tri-Y organizations have finally come together under the leadership of the Franklin Inter-Y Council, sponsored jointly by the Y.W.C.A. and the Y.M.C.A. The purpose of the newly formed council is to provide its Organization with co-ed participation in not only social events but also in service projects and other educational activities. This organization can only bring good if it has wholesome participation by all clubs concerned to learn not only themselves but also to help others learn.

### Alpha Beta Chi

The Alpha Beta Chi Junior Tri-Y had a very successful day, Saturday, January 25th. They spent the day at Cannote's Farm, skiing, sliding, and skating. After a delicious supper, they went on a hayride. Everyone who went claimed the day as the best ever.

### Service Club

Any student who is interested in joining the Franklin Service Club is asked to contact his adviser.

The Service Club is an organization of fifteen groups of between 350 and 400 students who give their time in the morning, after school or in free periods to perform a school service. These fifteen groups include: corridor aides, guidance, supply store corps, projectionists, lunchroom custodians, main and social studies library aides, traffic patrol, English bookroom, nurse's aides, school grounds committee, attendance workers, telephone operators, stage crew, and student government.

The most recently formed group is the school grounds committee. Twenty-five students have volunteered to clean up the campus every day during the fifth period.

Those who serve for nine months, three periods a week or the equivalent, receive a certificate at the annual Service Banquet which entitles them to wear a block "F"

### Latin Honor Society

The Optimates held their annual Valentine's Day party on Tuesday, afternoon, February 11, 1958, and it proved to be a very gala occasion. There was a short business meeting first, at which time three new initiates were inducted into the Latin Honor Society. They were Karen Steimer, Peter Standish and Edwin Jaehn. Following the impressive initiation ceremony, the party assumed a lighter air as ædile Ed Nast directed some amusing skits on Valentine's Day in ancient Rome, which were acted by the initiates. Refreshments were served following the entertainment.

### Math - Science Honor Society

At the first meeting of the Math-Science Honor Society, the election of officers was held. The meeting was opened by Mr. Miller and Mr. Taylor, sponsors of the society. Members elected James Barker, president, and Heidi Friederich, secretary.

On Wednesday, January 22, the Math-Science Honor Society heard a talk given by Dr. John R. Randolph, Chairman of the Department of Mathematics at the University of Rochester. Dr. Randolph's subject was "Communicating with an Electronic Computer." The fundamental principles of the modern computer were explained and illustrated to an attentive audience.

The next meeting of society was on Wednesday, February 12. The election of new members was held. Following the election the members were entertained by two films entitled, "New Frontiers in Space," and "Operation A-Bomb."

On Wednesday, February 19, Dr. Everett Hafner, a member of the Physics Department at the University of Rochester, spoke on nuclear fission and nuclear fusion. Dr. Everett's talk dealt with the splitting, or fission of the atom, and the joining, or fusion of atoms. The application of these processes as a tremendous source of energy was emphasized.

## "Don't Balk at Salk"

This is one of the slogans being used for the drive to urge students to receive their third Salk vaccine inoculations, as some fifty high school students discovered.

On January 11, at the Hotel Seneca-Manger, a press conference was held to interest representatives of the surrounding high schools in the Salk vaccine drive. Patty Hicks, the National Co-chairman of the drive, was willing to answer any questions the students would ask. A movie was shown about polio, with illustrations of teen-agers and adults who had been stricken by this horrible virus. At the conclusion of the movie, refreshments were served and representatives mingled to discuss different aspects of this crippling disease.

## Poster Contest

The Junior Council of the Rochester Association for the United Nations (R.A.U.N.) is sponsoring a poster contest for pupils in grades nine thru twelve. The subject for the posters is "The United Nations and Human Rights" and posters may be submitted between February 15 and March 28, 1958. Posters should be 14" by 22", and only poster paint may be used.

The first prize in the contest is a trip to the United Nations headquarters in New York City, plus a year's membership in the R.A.U.N. Second prize is a year's membership in the Memorial Art Gallery plus a year's R.A.U.N. membership. Third prize is \$5.00 and a R.A.U.N. membership. Also press, radio, and T.V. recognition will be given to the winners. Judging will take place on or about Apr. 11 and winners will be notified. For additional information on this poster contest, contact Miss Primer in room 159.

## "Clearance" Bell

As of Monday, February 10th, the office announces that all students must be out of the school building by 3:10 p. m. Pupils may not remain after this bell rings unless they are remaining to work with teachers, to attend group meetings, or to attend games. If pupils must stay after school, it is requested that they take all clothing and books with them to their meetings so that they will not have to return to their lockers.

## Eighth Grade Changes

Next September will see a few changes in the schedules of all eighth graders. For, starting next September all eighth graders will have a science course just double the time of the present course; that is, there will be a full year of eighth grade science. Also, a few eighth graders will be allowed to elect a year of the language of their choice. These changes will affect only next year's eighth graders.

## Snowflake Fantasy

"Snowflake Fantasy" was the name of this year's senior dance held Saturday, February 1, in our gym.

Norm Cohen and the Playboys provided the music for the evening and several songs were sung by Sylvia Kale.

In keeping with the general theme, white snowflakes transformed the lowly gymnasium from 8:30 to 11:30 into a winter wonderland for the many seniors and their dates.

## New Teachers

Since the beginning of the school year there have been three additions to the staff of the English department. Here is an introduction to these new teachers.

Mrs. Fitterer has come to Franklin replacing Mrs. Law. Mrs. Fitterer attended the University of Rochester and has been at Franklin four months. She is presently teaching 7th and 8th grade General Education and English II.

Mr. Koppenhaver has just recently received his Masters Degree in English from Ohio University. Formerly, he attended Lebanon Valley College in Annville, Pennsylvania. There he majored in music. He was in the Army for two years and for awhile was a member of the West Point Band in which he played tuba. The summer of 1952 he played in the Ringling Brothers Band and toured with the circus.

Mrs. Summers comes to us from Syracuse, New York. She is a graduate of Syracuse University and she taught for a time in Syracuse. Her husband is a former Ben Franklin student. She has, in addition, a small son. At present, she is teaching English nine and ten.

President's Corner

Dear Franklinites,  
Last week, Franklinites, along with other high school pupils received some days off from school because of severe stormy conditions. This outburst of the elements necessitated a closing of the schools, an event which has not happened in Rochester in many years.  
Different stormy conditions existed in downstate New York also. A rash of assaults, rapes, knifings, and general juvenile lawlessness has swept through New York City's nearly 900 public schools. Although a small percentage of the city's one million pupils have been involved, a Brooklyn Grand Jury has been aroused by the crimes. Policemen are now posted at forty-one public schools.  
I think Benjamin Franklin this year has set a fine example of behavior which might well be followed by some New York schools. Although we have 3,200 students of different races, creeds, and colors, we have conducted ourselves harmoniously. Let's keep up this fine record so Rochesterians will have to notice our concerted good effort of good public school life.  
Your President, JERRY GANS

What's Wrong With Us?

There has been much argument and unrest in the last few years as to whether Russia is perhaps too far ahead of us in the field of science. This problem took on a new aspect in the form of a satellite named Sputnik. Many sources were blamed for this sudden burst of power from Russia, but just as in any disturbing situation, we suddenly developed a very acute case of a disease known as "passing the buck."  
We started by blaming the Presidential budget, then the defense budget, and last, but not least, the educational system. The latter is perhaps the most vague of all reasons. To try to pin-point this argument we wonder if it is the lack of qualified teachers, or is there something wrong with the entire school system?  
In this country opportunities are provided for rich and poor alike and even for those, who in many instances, would prefer that it were not provided. We believe that this disinterest is perhaps a major problem in the education of high school students.  
In European countries when a student reaches the age of fourteen and it is observed that he is not adhering to the school rules or is disinterested in school work, he is immediately dropped. It is a privilege to enter high school and it is indeed the "cream of the crop" to enter college. The old adage, "You can lead a horse to water but you can't make it drink" could be very readily used in high schools today.  
It is normal that any student today does not become overjoyed at the thought of hard work but a little less "spoon-feeding" from parents would produce more independent work on the part of students.  
We believe there is nothing drastically wrong with the education in the U. S. and the people who are screaming at high schools and colleges should perhaps dwell right now on the bigger problem of how to make these people think individually instead of being conformists.  
Betty Doig

Half Down, Half To Go!

With half the year gone, many of us are confronted with the problem of how to better ourselves. We need better marks, but is it worth the sacrifice of pleasure? Are our marks important enough to give up those necessities such as television, sports, movies and dates? This question has come to the mind of every high school student. The answer is that we don't have to relinquish those pleasures. By budgeting our studies and pleasures, we will find better grades and more satisfaction come our way.  
About this time of the year many seniors are pondering the question of "whether to go to college or not." College is not only a place to learn the arts and sciences but a place to get experience in the ways of life. The purpose of a college is to give us a broader cultural background. With the rising population of college entrants, it is harder and harder to get into a college. Therefore, we will have to strive to raise our marks. With a little effort and a little perseverance all of us can overcome the year's difficulties. Remember, it is never too late for improvement.  
Peter Friedes



Man? How Do I Get on Franklin's Best Dressed List?

EXCHANGE GLANCES

From the *El-So-Hi* of Elmira's South Side High School, we have taken the following:  
Here is a list of terms for hi-fi enthusiasts:  
High fidelity—Full faithful reproduction of recorded sound.  
Low fidelity—Porfirio Rubirosa. Treble—"Elbert" spelled backwards.  
Amplifier—What you make to burn an ampli  
Pickup—Someone to listen to hi-fi records with.  
Wow—Listening to hi-fi records with loose pickup.  
Distortion—Happens when you leave hi-fi records on radiator.  
Many interesting events have taken place in the various schools in Rochester and area. Over at West High, Helen Davison won second place in the essay contest on "I Speak for Democracy." West High is proud of Helen.  
Brighton High entertained an honored guest in December. He was Mayor Peter Barry. Mayor Barry was the speaker at the induction of new National Honor Society members. His topic was "Leadership in the Community."  
The Junior Class at Monroe High presented a modern version of "The Taming of the Shrew," a comedy by William Shakespeare. More commonly known as Cole Porter's "Kiss Me Kate," the play was presented in January. It is an unusual occurrence for Juniors to present a play.  
About 40 Edison Tech students were witnesses to how steel was made in the Bethlehem Steel Company's Lackawanna plant. The boys were given a guided tour and enjoyed a fine dinner as the Steel Company's guests.  
Also from Edison, we learned of the Bow Tie Club. This club was formed by Mr. Palermo in his shop to help promote the Dress Right Campaign.  
This headline appeared on an article in *The Orange and Black* of Churchville-Chili Central School. "Physical Ed. Dept. Adds Tramp." After reading through this article we were relieved to learn that the "Tramp" was a trampoline which has been added to help provide a well-rounded physical education program to the students of Churchville-Chili Central School.  
We have quoted this next poem from the *Madison Mirror*:  
*Where can a man buy a cap for his knee?  
Or a key to the lock of his hair?  
Can his eyes be called an academy  
Because there are pupils there?  
In the crown of his head  
What gems are found?  
Who travels the bridge of his nose?  
Can the crook of his elbow be sent to jail?  
If so, what did he do?  
How does he sharpen his shoulder blades?  
I'll be hanged if I know, do you?  
Can he sit in the shade of the palm of his hand?  
Or beat on the drum of his ear?  
Does the calf of his leg eat the corn on his toes?  
If so, why not grow corn on the ear?*  
Janet Smith and Jean Walker

Time on My Hands

By Elaine Platti  
I have time on my hands,  
Time to spare;  
The clock says it's getting late.  
But I'm not going anywhere—  
The sun has gone down,  
Its colors put away  
Only to rise again, the following day.  
For some, they say the day's too short  
To get their work all done.  
And yet for others there's time for fun;  
But I today have nothing to do.  
Time is stagnant, never moving,  
Lying like dust on the floor.  
I wait for a knock at the door—  
A knock that never comes. Why?  
Perhaps I'm dreaming of this empty day  
Or maybe it's loneliness creeping my way.  
I only know until the end of time,  
My boredom is the disguise of my fears.

Mr. Sabin's Message

It may be said that we are at the half way mark in this school year. Each of you knows how important "rounding the turn" is in athletic contests. The "home stretch" drive is vitally important. Your success in the second half depends so much on your preparation and the amount of effort which you are willing to give. You can go home successful next June if you want to, if you are willing to make the necessary effort. There is no place in high school for the pupil who is content to fail.  
WILLARD A. SABIN



Thoughts on a Stormy February . . .

SNOW

*Down from the roofs in gusts are hurled  
The eddying drifts to the waste below;  
And still is the banner of storm unfurled,  
Till all the drowned and desolate world  
Lies dumb and white in a trance of snow.*  
*Slowly the shadows gather and fall,  
Still the whispering snow-flakes beat;  
Night and darkness are over all:  
Rest, pale city, beneath their pall,  
Sleep, white world, in thy winding sheet!*  
Elizabeth Akers

Salute to the Basketball Team

"FRANKLIN, FRANKIN, FIGHT TEAM, FIGHT." The capacity crowd at the basketball game was tearing down the rafters when Franklin beat Marshall to take the first half championship. All those people were spirited by the fighting aggressiveness and teamwork which each member of our Red and White displayed on that court. To Coach Panaggio there was more than just a feeling of being a winner, for beating Marshall was the result of tedious and timely practice which began late in October. All the practice and skill which a coach gives his ball club is culminated in such a game. Playing a game which has some standing rests primarily on the practice and thinking done weeks before. No coach can be sure what will be the defense of his opposition, so he must have his team briefed and awake to any and all tactics.  
It is not really enough to say that we won a championship but what counts is how we won. The team work displayed is a winning element no matter what the sport may be. It is true that before any person can work with a team, he must have a team. Yes, we now have a team—but our squad was like a crude piece of steel before Coach Panaggio tempered it into the polished and precision machine that it now is.  
We recognize Coach Panaggio's team as one of the fine illustrations of both teamwork and cooperation among students. Each player has added to Ben Franklin a spirit which we hope will last for many seasons. The interest established in regard to the team, attendance at games, and most of all, the championship, has added a timely reminder to all of us that school participation can be fun as well as beneficial. Len Ackerman

Franklin's Saying

A little neglect may breed mischief; for want of a nail the shoe was lost; for want of a shoe the horse was lost; and for want of a horse the rider was lost; for want of the rider the battle was lost.  
BENJAMIN FRANKLIN

Many favorable comments have been received about the posters advertising the COURANT. These are the talented poster artists: Robert Bernstein, Joan Cutler, Phyllis DeNoto, Darryl Gronsky, and Michael Calil.

Dateline

- February  
19—Lent began  
22—Washington's Birthday  
26—First Quarter of the Moon  
28—Marking Period Closes  
28—Last League Basketball Game  
March  
5—Full Moon  
10—Report Cards Issued  
11—Franklin Frolic  
12—Teachers' Conference  
12—Girl Scouts Founded 1912  
12—Last Quarter of the Moon  
15—Andrew Jackson's Birthday 1767  
16—West Point Academy Established 1802  
17—St. Patrick's Day  
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## Case of the Martian Murder

Jorann Ren IV stood watching the two men seated before him, a puzzled expression on his face. One of the men was a murderer; the other an innocent man who did not like being delayed from his return to Earth and his commission. They were both prospectors for Inter-Planet Mining, and both claimed to have found a new deposit of Vanadium in one of Mars' deserts. But Igor Kipeh was dead, and either man could have committed the crime; one of them did. Kipeh had been a rich man, a billionaire and he was obviously killed for his money. An eccentric, he did not trust banks and carried great sums of money with him. One of these men had killed Kipeh, stolen his money, and hidden it somewhere, either on Mars or out among the Asteroids. Jorann had been called in because it seemed to be the perfect crime: Kipeh's murderer had taken him out of the desert where the victim had been knocked unconscious and robbed. Then, because Kipeh knew his attacker, his oxygen mask had been removed and destroyed, and he was left to suffocate. The only clue that could be found was the set of footprints leading away from the body. And these had been practically obliterated by Mars' unceasing wind. So, Jorann, the fourth in a line of famous detectives, had been hired to find the guilty man. These two were the only suspects; one was a murderer. Which one?

Was it Heh Reaoa, the little Hawaiian who had a second motive for killing Kipeh? Kipeh, in amassing his millions, had ruined Reaoa's father financially, and had caused him to commit suicide. Reaoa hated Kipeh. Or was it the tall, stocky spaceman, Craig MacRolen? He, too, had a personal grudge. Kipeh had won a half million from him in a card game, and afterwards admitted that he had cheated. MacRolen hated him for that. Either man could have killed Kipeh, and either would have. While neither man could prove his alibi, Jorann could not refute their stories. There must be something that would convict the guilty man. But what?

These were Jorann's thoughts as he stood, alternately watching the suspects and gazing out over the barren terrain, surrounding the Lunar Detention Unit, where he had been questioning Reaoa and MacRolen. For two hours these men had been alone in that small room. Neither of the suspects had changed his story in the slightest detail. Both claimed to have discovered an ore deposit, and to have immediately set out for Earth. Both denied that they had been near the scene of the crime. Neither story could be proved or disproved. Each man had a double motive and equal opportunity to commit the crime. Kipeh had been struck from behind with a heavy instrument: Reaoa had an ancient ancestral war club with him which could have been used as the weapon; MacRolen had on his ship a set of heavy duty mining tools, any one of which could have been used. It seemed likely that the smaller man would use such a weapon, but this was no proof that Reaoa had done it. The scene of the crime was almost devoid of clues, and neither man seemed likely to crack and confess. As he looked away from Reaoa, who had suddenly begun acting nervous. Jorann was almost ready to admit defeat. And he might have, if it had not been for the realization that if he did drop the case, a murderer would go free.

Abruptly, Jorann turned from the massive glass-steel window. Pointing at one of the men, he said, "In the name of the Inter-Galactic Council, I arrest you for the murder of Igor Kipeh."

Whom did Jorann arrest, and what had he seen through the window that led him to conclude that this man must be guilty?

To find the solution to this mystery, look at column five.

**Rosen's Variety Store**  
1002 JOSEPH AVENUE  
School Supplies — Toys

## QUID EST?

As I was looking through my previous years' homework, I came across some old Latin translations that I had done in ninth and tenth grade. As any Latin student can tell you, almost everyone taking Latin gets back a few papers like these, usually accompanied by a mark that hovers between a D and an E. This first one was done in ninth grade, and if it seems exaggerated, it probably was.

"Jason sat on a rock watching Medea cut off her brother's arms and legs. Her brother than walked away while a boat fell on Jason. He was affected in a wonderful way."

I found another translation which I really cannot explain. Either I was a terrible translator or the author of the book was slightly odd. This is what it read like:

"Brutus and Marcus visited Rome. In the house, the street looked like it was an island. Then the man left because his teacher taught him language. Therefore, he died. Brutus turned to Marcus and said, 'The circle of the earth is small. Let us go back for we still have time to live!'"

I remember that we once had a contest in class to find the person who could write the most inaccurate translation. Here is the winning entry:

"With the mountains as a place, Caesar saw the Allobrogi return from where they began in the end. They came, but none was said. His troops were in camp and the books were in the sky. Therefore, someone shouted, 'It was beautiful.' Anyone went somewhere for the season was suitable. The camp became gone. The farmer went out of the river by the poet."

Harold Kanthor.

## Feb. Frantics

Now that the Christmas and New Year festivities are long gone, (by the way, are you still keeping your resolutions?) you may feel that no more gay holidays are left to add sparkle to your dull, monotonous life. Of course, you already know about the Abe Washington and George Cupid days, but by now they're pretty old hat.

So to brighten up your dreary existence I've scouted around and found some "wild" parties for you to attend. How are these for February 30?

A We-finally-got-a-satellite-up-so there! Party will be fired at Moscow's Vanguard Hall.

A Tommy Edison Light Bulb Snatching Party at the RG&E, and First Railroad Charter Anniversary Day-at Grand Central Station.

Don't despair, more gala activities will continue February 31, with a—

Ha, Ha, the 13th— wasn't-on-Friday Hop at the Black Cat Haven at 13 Ladder Road.

Happy Birthday — Longfellow Party—Eastman House.

A 1958 first will be given that you simply can't miss!

A We're-so-sorry-there-was-no school February 4, 18, 19, 20—(at the) Bored of Education.

Ladies should come formally dressed in turtle-necked straplesses and high-heeled sneakers; the boys may wear short shorts. Live it up during February, 1958!

Maevonia Daniels

Celebrate George Washington's birthday in style:  
**TELL THE TRUTH!**

**Book Your Hayride**  
ALL YEAR ROUND  
**EL RANCHO STABLES**  
650 PAUL ROAD  
GEn. 8-7986-J or GEn. 8-7987-R

**Hudson Hardware and Paint Company**  
Acme Paints, Tools, Hardware  
We Give S&H Green Stamps  
600 HUDSON AVENUE  
HAmilton 6-0966

## Voices From The Deep



His name was Chauncey Babbitt and he was a great magician. Unfortunately also, he was quite a good musician. One night he would be pulling rabbits from between his bare toes.

The next night he would spend conducting Beethoven's concertos.

For Babbitt had great talent; imperfections he had got no. But of the two professions, which he'd follow he did not know. On Monday he'd be leading the musicians in Tchaikowsky. On Tuesday he would do the disappearance of a tough ski. One night when he was dressing for to be a good musician, He put on the wrong jacket, which he used as a magician. He really did not know this and he did not realize that. (And if someone had told him I would actually despise that.) At that adverse performance all amid applause and racket, The thought had just escaped him that he put on the wrong jacket.

So when he was conducting excerpts from "Dance of the Hours."

Unknown to him his pockets were completely filled with flowers. And roses, tulips, daisies and begonias shot like rockets, And also tiger lilies from his overloaded pockets.

His name was Chauncey Babbitt as I've told you once before this.

And Babbitt was quite nervous, but all others did adore this. And when he took his hanky out to mop his brow and hair, The hanky turned bright purple, then vanished into air. The piece was finally over and he took his bow did Babbitt, And while he was a-bowing from his vest there jumped a rabbit.

And soon there jumped another like you read of in the funnies. But this was really true for now the stage was filled with bunnies.

They jumped inside the tubas and they crawled into the saxes. Poor Babbitt looked as if he got caught cheating on his taxes. He picked up his baton now and continued, this magician. To lead the laughing band in "Pictures at an Exhibition."

The orchestra did nicely just as anyone would figure. Until each person noticed his lapel-flower growing bigger. It turned to different colors as it kept on growing wobbly. And interrupted Babbitt leading "Andante Cantabile." And everyone was laughing and Babbitt was a-sobbin'.

When out of his pocket there appeared a big black robin. Another followed that one and another and another, Until they filled the house up, and poor Babbitt yelled, "Oh brother!"

The management was angry, and they gave him a bad shake-down.

And Chauncey Babbitt went right home and had a nervous breakdown.

But critics in the papers (or at least that's what the news said) Gave Babbitt good reviews and here is what those reviews said: "In Babbitt's music you could see 'twas happy and 'twas tragic. In short, in Babbitt's music you could feel a sort of magic." The management rehired him and he grew to be successful. But 'mid great fame he ne'er forgot that night he had a mess-ful.

And so whenever he performs amid applause and racket, He always is quite certain to wear his musician's jacket. (His name was Chauncey Babbitt and it really was his name, true,

And if you don't believe this tale, I can't say that I blame you.)

Harold Kanthor

## REAL GEORGE

As hep George Washington pealed his '58 rod along the drag strip, he noticed a small cherry tree by the roadside. "Man, dig that crazy weed!" said George to his drag, Martha. "Gone Man gone, real shook," came the reply. "That tree bugs me," said George, so he promptly pulled out his Pretzely Fan Club switch blade, and began to chop the tree down. Upon finishing his task, George remarked, "Man, that was hard work!" "What's work?" asked Martha. "It slips my mind, chick," answered George, "but I remember it from third grade spelling, I was good in the third grade."

At about this time, George thought he ought to go back to Mt. Vernon to get some money if he and Martha were going to go to the record hop that evenin g. As he pulled into the driveway of his home, Martha asked, "This your dive? It's real classy." "Don't feel too bad, babe, I have to go in now, but I'll be right back," re-

plied George as he went into the house.

The first person he encountered in the house was his father, to whom he said, "Daddy-o, I need some cash Man, real bad, yeah Man." "Daddy-o" obliged his son, (just to prove how fantastic this is) and followed him out to the T-Bird in the drive. Mr. Washington noticed his son's latest flame, and also noticed the cherry blossom in her hair. When he asked her where she got it, (he was an avid fan of the Prunus family, cherry tree to you) she related the whole story of the tree that had "bugged" her and George. "George," he bellowed, "did you cut down that cherry tree?" "I won't answer a thing until my lawyer gets here," said George, "I've got my rights, Daddy-o. In the meantime, I cannot tell a lie—I plead the Fifth Amendment."

Diane Shapiro

## Iranian Official Visits Franklin

On December 19, the General Supervisor of Schools of Iran, Mohammed Bayher Jadali, paid Franklin High a visit. We were fortunate to interview this friendly and most interesting person, and find the answers to many questions that we had.

Q. What is your mission in the United States?

A. I was invited by your government to observe the American Methods of education on an exchange program.

Q. Have you always been interested in foreign methods of education?

A. Yes. In 1955, I was invited to observe the educational systems of France, England and Switzerland. Afterwards, I gave a report to UNESCO and offered my suggestions.

Q. What are the Iranian schools like?

A. The schools in Iran are not coeducational, because it conflicts, for the most part, with the religion of Iran, Mohammedanism. There are many activities offered in the schools, as there are here. The number of pupils enrolled in a high school varies from 700 to 1500.

Q. What type of clothes do Iranian pupils wear?

A. The pupils wear Western clothes. However, the more religious ones sometimes wear turbans and robes. Twenty-five years ago, the Iranian women wore veils, but now that practice is not seen often.

Q. What subjects are offered in your schools?

A. Pupils study geometry and algebra beginning in the seventh grade. In high school, there are many subjects offered, such as English or French.

Q. What is the Iranian system of education like?

A. Elementary education is compulsory, but only the ablest continue education in secondary schools. After the ninth grade, the pupil goes to a school in which the subject he is most competent is taught extensively. In that way, a student interested in mathematics receives his secondary education in a mathematics school.

Q. Are there many universities in Iran?

A. There are six universities. Mr. Jadali went on in more detail to tell us about the schools in Iran. He told us many interesting things about school activities and classes, and we were glad to learn that this able man was helping to shape Iran's educational system.

## Solution to Martian Murder

Jorann arrested Craig MacRolen on the basis of the following reasoning: Looking out of the window, Jorann noticed only two sets of footprints in the meteor dust before the door of the Detention Unit, although he knew that three men had entered the building through that door. Closer inspection showed that there were actually three sets, but those of Reaoa, the "little Hawaiian," were almost invisible because his light weight made little impression on the surface. Therefore, Jorann reasoned that if Reaoa had murdered Kipeh, the Hawaiian's footprints would have been completely wiped out by Mars' wind. But, there were some footprints remaining and they must have been made by the tall, stocky spaceman, Craig MacRolen.

Faced with this accusation, MacRolen confessed and was sentenced to life imprisonment on Venus, where he was required to work in the swamp farms. Thus, Jorann Ren IV proved again his great-grandfather's theory that there is no perfect crime.

Kenneth Ofslager

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# Franklin Cagemen Snare First Half Championship



Champions Mike Cavalcanti and Gary Fallis

The Quaker swimming team, in its first five weeks, compiled a four won, one loss, record in the Interscholastic Swimming League. The only blemish in this early competition was a non-league loss to Brighton, in which the Quakers came within two points of breaking Brighton's string of 50 straight wins. In regular competition the team has collected lop-sided wins over Jefferson and Edison Tech, 68-11 and 57-29 respectively; edged Charlotte 48-38 and outpointed Monroe 47-39. Such swimmers as Cavalcanti, Fallis, Hood, Brueckner, Kohler, Johnson, Flowerday, and Carey have made the team highly successful.

In the meet against Jefferson Mike Cavalcanti set a new city scholastic record of 1:03.4 in the 100-yard backstroke. This meet was the easiest thus far, as the results show.

50-yard freestyle—Schwartz 0:27.2 winner; Johnson, 3rd.  
100-yard butterfly—Brueckner, 1:30, winner.  
200-yard freestyle—Hood, 2:32.5 winner; Mullaney, 2nd.  
100-yard backstroke—Cavalcanti, 1:03.4 winner.  
100-yard freestyle—Flowerday, 1:02.5 winner; Kohler, 2nd.  
100-yard conventional breaststroke—Fallis, 1:16.3 winner; Brueckner, 2nd.  
Fancy Diving—Carey, winner; Priest, 2nd.  
150-yard individual medley—Fallis, 1:52, winner.  
200-yard Medley Relay—Franklin (Cavalcanti, Horvath, Flowerday, Schwartz) 2:07.9  
200-yard freestyle relay—Franklin (Johnson, Kohler, Dispenza, Quant).

In the meet with Edison no records were broken which was very strange because in every other meet some kind of record was set by the Franklin swimmers. The results were the following:

50-yard freestyle—Schwartz 0:27.4 winner.  
100-yard butterfly—Cavalcanti 1:11.4 winner; Wm Brueckner, 2nd.  
200-yard freestyle—Hood, 2:30.5 winner.  
100-yard backstroke—Sussman, 3rd.  
100-yard freestyle—Flowerday, 1:03.1, winner; Kohler, 2nd.  
100-yard breaststroke—Fallis, 1:16.8 winner; Wes Brueckner, 3rd.  
Fancy Diving—Carey, winner; Priest, 3rd.  
150-yard individual medley—Fallis, 1:54.3 winner; Brueckner, 2nd.  
200-yard Medley Relay—Franklin (Cavalcanti, Wes Brueckner, Flowerday, Schwartz) 2:03.5.  
200-yard freestyle relay—Franklin (Johnson, Hood, Kohler, Carey) 1:54.5.

One city record and four pool marks were set by Franklin in the meet with Charlotte. Gary Fallis, Franklin freshman, was the individual star. He covered the breaststroke in 1:15.8 for the city and pool records, and set another pool mark at 1:10.4 for the butterfly. The other pool marks were set by Cavalcanti in the backstroke and by the Franklin medley relay team composed of Mike Cavalcanti, Wes Brueckner, Lynn Flowerday and Allen Schwartz.

## Quaker Hoopsters Down East

By Melvin Levinson

The night of January 17th proved cold and windy, but inside the old Armory the Franklin Quakers were hot as pistons as they romped to a 79-61 victory over a game, but outclassed, East High team. The hardy fans, who braved the elements, did not know it at the time, but they were about to see one of the finest exhibitions of basketball ever to be put on by any Franklin team.

The Red and White started off slowly, spotting East 4 points, 10-6, halfway through the first period, but Franklin's very potent offense began to click, providing a 16-12 Quaker edge at the quarter.

From this point on the outcome of the game was never in doubt, as Franklin outscored East 23 to 14, in the second quarter. In this big second period the fans were thrilled many times by the fine jump-shooting and drive-in shots of both Fred Cohen and Ron Mink. As the gun ended the first half, Franklin had built up a comfortable 13 point lead, 39-26.

In the third period Franklin continued its uncanny shooting, and as hard as East tried they could never draw within 10 points. As the third quarter drew to a close, the game was well out of East's reach at 60-40. The fourth quarter was more of the same, with East fighting gamely, but unsuccessfully, to narrow the lead. With 3 minutes left in the game Coach Panaggio emptied his bench as he saw victory assured. As the final buzzer rang, a 79-61 score was registered, and another Franklin victory made history.

The game was not only a splendid victory by our present team, which was led by Fred Cohen, with 22 points, but it also gave a glimpse of the future, as juniors Ron Mink and freshman Trenton Jackson both showed marks of future brilliance with 20 and 12 points respectively, with both contributing fine floor games. The meeting between these two teams also brought back memories of a year ago, when a very fine East team, led by Al Butler, defeated Franklin for the first half championship.

By Melvin Levinson

To most people the fact that Franklin High's basketball team defeated Marshall 53-46 on Wednesday night, January 29, at Franklin, may seem cold and fairly uninteresting. However, to each Franklin student assembled there, this game brought extreme excitement as two powerful Interscholastic teams battled head-on to decide who would be crowned champion of the first half of the season.

As the opening quarter began the 1500 fans, who packed the gym, saw a charged up Marshall team continually take the play away from the over-anxious Franklin squad. Ron Mink and Freddie Hale pitched in to draw Franklin close at the quarter mark, trailing 15-13.

The following period found both teams playing a poor brand of basketball, until the hopes and prayers of Franklin were answered in the form of 15-year-old Trenton Jackson. The young freshman sank 4 straight baskets to personally put Franklin into the lead for the first time. After this special display of shooting the Quakers clung to a precarious 2 point lead at half-time, 27 to 25.

At times in the third quarter the Red and White extended their lead to 6 and 8 points, but the never-

say-die Marshall team moved up to within a 2 point deficit once more at the three quarter mark, trailing 40-38, going into the home stretch.

In the fast moving last period, Franklin showed that she was not to be denied a victory. Playing cool possessive-type basketball and with fine shooting from Ron Mink, the Quakers built up their slight lead to a final 7 point burge, 53-46.

Franklin scoring was once more led by its potent youngsters, Ron Mink and Trenton Jackson, with 20 and 12 points respectively. Nevertheless, credit must be given to the rest of the team, and especially Fred Cohen, for his splendid floor game.

This game proved to be an exciting finale to the first half Interscholastic basketball season, but to a person who has watched the team progress under the direction of Coach Panaggio, it was a night when Franklin eked out a 53-46 victory over a Marshall team that had just lost two of its stars due to ineligibility. Perhaps it was the mounting tension on the club or fine defensive action on the part of Marshall, which seemed to affect their playing, but at any rate the Quakers emerged first half champions for the first time in several years.

## VICTORY OVER WILSON PARKERS

The second half of the Interscholastic basketball season got under way on Wednesday, February 5, as Franklin High secured its first triumph of the half, 66-57 over Madison, extending the league victory streak to 9. The game also marked the first time that co-captain Fred Cohen was not in the starting lineup this season, because of a leg injury.

Franklin raced to an early lead thanks to some fine outside jump-shooting by Jerry Gans in the opening minutes, but the alert Madison defense finally succeeded in taking the play away from Franklin. As the buzzer sounded Madison had been able to creep to a 17-16 lead.

Coach Panaggio, seeming to sense the danger of the situation, decided to gamble and send into the ballgame the injured Cohen. From this point on, Madison could have gone home, for there was a marked improvement in Franklin's play. Whether it was due to the presence of Mr. Cohen or the abil-

ity of the team to respond in time of emergency, the fact of the matter was that Franklin opened up a 36-30 lead at halftime. Fine assists by Fred Cohen and splendid shooting by Ron Mink helped to bring about this situation.

The third period story was simply a repetition of what had happened 8 times earlier this year. Once the team secured a lead, it picked up momentum and was unbeatable. The remainder of the game was showered with fine shooting and sharp possession basketball by Franklin. At the game's termination the score was Franklin 66 and Madison 57, with an important second half victory recorded.

This contest was definitely a team effort, with 5 Quakers in double figures. It showed the importance of a man who can come off the bench and by fine play give the team the needed lift to provide the margin of victory. With such balance and bench support the present Franklin High basketball team seems destined to go down in Franklin's sport history as one of the finest to ever represent the school.



By Judy Weinstein and Shirley Cherkasky

Just about now most of us are getting back into the "swing" of school and we're hoping our Franklin girls are also getting into the "swing" of things... as far as bowling is concerned! The Penn Yan bowling team has invited the Franklin squad (and other high school teams) to participate in a Mail-Graphic tourney. Two bowling teams with five girls each will be chosen to represent our school. They will bowl on February 13th and February 20th at North Park Lanes, along with our regular Franklin contingent, and their scores plus handicaps will be forwarded to Penn Yan where the scores of all participating will be tallied; the winner will be announced and awards will be presented to the highest-scoring bowlers. We're sure our Franklin "spares and strikes set" will come off with top honors.

The Aquatic Club has finally revealed to us the theme of this year's show which will be presented in the near future for our enjoyment. It will be entitled "A Float in Space," and we are certain that all of us will want to see this beautiful and thrilling event. The girls in the Club have been working very hard to bring us this show, so, once again remember to look for the time and date when "A Float in Space" will be presented. The Aquatic Club is also planning to enter a swimming meet which will take place at John Marshall High School. We have great confidence that our girls will demonstrate their capability and their exceptional skills in the water at this meet.

Concerning the cheerleaders, they have already demonstrated to us their exceptional talents. The Varsity team, for example, has sparked the Franklin basketball team to success in the Interscholastic Basketball League thus far this season. We would like to thank our cheerleaders for demonstrating to us their enthusiasm, their sportsmanship, and for the wonderful way in which they have helped to increase the school spirit of Franklin. As Mrs. D'Ambrosia, their adviser, said, "This year's cheering section is the VERY BEST we've had in a long time," and we are inclined to agree with her!

As far as basketball is concerned, two teams have been organized but we would like to encourage more girls to come and join this enthusiastic sport. Remember, girls, it is on Wednesday, right after school.

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